

**Atlas Minerals**  
**Division of Atlas Corporation**

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January 14, 1983

Mr. Thomas N. Tetting  
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining  
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Re: Four Corners Mine,  
Wood Lease Mine,  
Cane Creek Mine,  
Happy Jack Mine,  
Calligham, Sage Mine,  
Far West Mine,  
Standard I Mine,  
Cactus Rat Mine, and  
Snow Mine.

Dear Mr. Tetting:

I am writing in response to your two letters dated December 8, 1982 concerning the reviews of the above-referenced mines' files. I have responded to your questions and requests individually by number on the enclosed sheets.

Due to recent reorganization of personnel and office space at Atlas, I am unable to submit any maps at this time. Once the reorganization is complete (within three to four months) I will be able to supply the Division with any necessary maps. We trust the maps the Division currently has on file are sufficient to allow completion of the contract negotiations.

Atlas proposes the following approach to finalize the seed list issue:

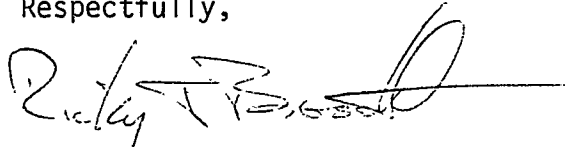
- The seed mix to be used during reclamation of a particular mine is the mix specified in the Mining and Reclamation Plan for that mine. If that mix has been amended through suggestions from the Division which have been concurred with by Atlas, then that amended list is to be used.
- Atlas will obtain prior approval from the Division to use an alternative seed list, such as one recommended in the MK Report, at a particular mine if desirous.

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We trust this approach will be acceptable to the Division. The issue of Atlas' commitment to initiating reclamation at a particular mine will be addressed in a separate letter. Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ricky J. Broschat", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Ricky J. Broschat

RJB:cf  
Enclosures.

cc: R. Blubaugh

FAR WEST MINE -- ACT/037/019

1. The Division has never requested a final report on installation of oil skimmers at Atlas' wash pad facilities. In your letter of June 7, 1982 you stated, " . . . the Division is reviewing the current proposals for the Far West Mine site and will reply shortly." That reply has not been received.

The State Department of Health suggested in their letter dated June 14, 1982 that Atlas install temporary storage facilities at wash pad locations to prevent any discharge. This was done at the Far West, Velvet and Pandora Mines and a copy of Atlas' July 9, 1982 reply to that letter is enclosed.

Due to recent decreases in Atlas' mining activities, the wash pad at the Far West Mine is no longer being used. Consequently, no water will be discharged from it.

**Atlas Minerals**  
Division of Atlas Corporation  
**Big Indian Mines**  
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July 9, 1982

Mr. Steve McNeal  
Department of Health  
150 West North Temple  
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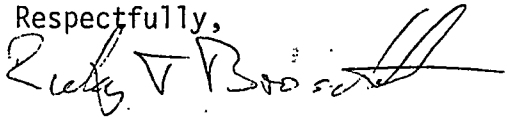
Re: Far West Wash Pad  
Discharge

Dear Mr. McNeal:

This letter serves to transmitt the results of the analysis performed on the initial sample from the Far West Wash Pad Facilities' discharge (See attachment). Due to the intermittent nature of the discharge and the possibility that the facility has not yet reached an equilibrium, this sample should not be considered "representative".

As requested in your letter of June 14, 1982, a temporary containment structure will be constructed to prevent this discharge from leaving the Far West Site. Atlas is currently investigating alternatives for dealing with this discharge and a proposal will be forwarded to you once a decision has been reached.

Respectfully,



Ricky J. Broschat  
Reclamation Scientist

cc: R. Blubaugh  
R. Dye